UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

CATHERINE ANN KRINGAS,

Plaintiff,

23-cv-4949 (JGK)

- against -

ORDER

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

JOHN G. KOELTL, District Judge:

By Order dated June 20, 2023, the Court referred this case to Magistrate Judge Sarah Cave.

To conserve resources, to promote judicial efficiency, and in effort to achieve a faster disposition of this matter, it is hereby **ORDERED** that the parties must discuss whether they are willing to consent, under 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), to conducting all further proceedings before the assigned Magistrate Judge.

If both parties consent to proceed before the Magistrate Judge, counsel for the defendant should file a letter with the Court, with an attached fully executed Notice, Consent, and Reference of a Civil Action to a Magistrate Judge form, the blank form for which is attached to this Order (and also available at: https://www.nysd.uscourts.gov/forms/consent-proceed-us-magistrate-judge). If the Court approves that form, all further proceedings will then be conducted before the assigned Magistrate Judge rather than before this Court. Any

appeal would be taken directly to the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

If either party does not consent to conducting all further proceedings before the Magistrate Judge, the defendant's counsel shall file a letter advising the Court that the parties do not consent, but without disclosing the identity of the party or parties who do not consent. The parties are free to withhold consent without negative consequences.

SO ORDERED.

Dated:

New York, New York June 20, 2023

John G. Koeltl

United States District Judge